

SENATE RESOLUTION 45

By Harris

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Elexis Houston, 2015
Salutatorian of Memphis Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Elexis Houston is one such exceptional student, who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2015 graduating class at Memphis Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Elexis Houston achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Elexis Houston earned an exemplary 4.82 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Memphis Ambassadors Program, the soccer team as the captain, the Key Club, Green Club, National Honor Society, Honors Choir, Mu Alpha Theta, and Reach Memphis; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Elexis has been named a National Merit Finalist, *Commercial Appeal* Academic All-Star, and the “Best All Around” senior superlative at Memphis Central, as well as earning the Shelby County Interscholastic Athletic Association Athlete Award, the 2014 Yale Book Award, and the Central High A² Award; and

WHEREAS, Elexis Houston’s display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Elexis’s noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Lisa Anderson-Houston and Henry Houston III, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Elexis Houston's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2015 Memphis Central High School Salutatorian, Elexis Houston, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.